

FRUIT-GROWERS
ELECT OFFICERSShenandoah Valley Association
Meets and Takes Action on
San Hose Scale.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
STAUNTON, Va., January 16.—The Shenandoah Valley Fruit Growers' Association met at the Assembly Hall at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The president, Mr. W. A. McCann, being detained at home on account of sickness, Vice-President B. E. Watson called the meeting to order and with some corrections the minutes of the last meeting were adopted.

The majority of stock being represented, the association went into the election of officers for the ensuing year, and Mr. McCann having resigned the office of president, Mr. M. P. Gilkerson was elected to this office. W. H. Frothingham, of Front Royal, was elected vice-president; Philip Lips, secretary, and J. N. McFarland, treasurer. Mr. Phillips and Mr. G. G. Crawford were re-elected directors. The other directors are B. E. Watson, J. L. Moomaw and J. H. Piper.

The association adopted resolutions asking the Virginia members of Congress to assist in enacting a law to prevent the introduction and spread of the San Jose scale.

Ashland's Financial Report.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ASHLAND, Va., January 16.—The Town Council at its regular meeting held Thursday received from the Finance Committee the report and appropriation bill for 1908-9. The report of the committee is as follows: The real property in the town is valued at \$341,577, personal property, \$122,162, and property owned by public service companies at \$18,123.30.

The revenue derived from all sources is estimated to be \$5,340.62.

The appropriations made were: Interest on \$10,000, 5 per cent. at \$500; interest on town park and jail bonds, \$1,750; sinking fund, \$550; interest on school bonds, \$225; public free school, \$1,100; streets and drainage, \$725; road machine, \$123.75; paving England's Street, \$150; salaries for Mayor and Tax Collector, \$365; salary Town Sergeant, \$120; salary street force, \$530; lights, \$175; salary of Clerk and Treasurer, \$60; night watchman, \$120; rent for Council room and Mayor's office, \$50; Fire Department, \$15; Health Department, \$15; incidental, \$77.17; deficit for last year on streets, \$115; Commissioner of the Revenue, \$30.

The office of Tax Collector was created and C. W. Crew was appointed to it. He will also serve as Mayor.

Mr. Charles Stebbins, who has been clerk and treasurer for thirty years, tendered his resignation to take effect February 1st. He will, however, retain his membership in the Council. No successor was elected.

Banks Hold Meetings.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMVILLE, Va., January 16.—All four of Farmville's banking institutions have met during the present week and elected officers for the ensuing term. At the Farmers' Bank, the only change made was in the election of H. C. Cobb as director in the place of John J. Walker, deceased.

At the People's National, no changes in the officers were made, and most excellent report was made by its president.

At the First National, E. Scott Martin was made a director to succeed John W. Long, who has gone to Petersburg to live. The president of this institution also made a glowing report of its condition.

At the Citizens' State, no changes were made, but a most gratifying report was heard of its success during the year past.

In Fine Condition.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LURAY, Va., January 16.—The annual election of the board of directors and other officials of the Page Valley National Bank of Luray, which has just been held, resulted as follows: T. J. Benney, president; John P. Grove, vice-president; E. C. Denney, cashier; F. T. Ames, assistant cashier. The following board of directors was elected: C. C. Landrum, J. T. Long, A. L. Jamison, S. G. Sherman, H. B. McKay, John W. Grove, M. T. Gaudin. The business of the bank is in a very flourishing condition, showing a capital and surplus of \$55,000, the former being \$50,000 and the latter \$15,000. From a surplus of \$25,231 in 1907, when the bank was chartered, it has grown to the above.

Agree on Facts.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, Va., January 16.—Attorneys representing both sides of the contest of the result of the Lynchburg local option election, after several conferences, believe they have agreed as to some facts which will make unnecessary a lot of testimony which would otherwise have been necessary in the form of depositions.

Parent that a great deal of money will be paid in the case, and that it will be heard in the corporation court during the February term, when Coleman and Randolph Harrison, of this city are representing the contestants, and George E. Caskey, of Lynchburg, and Judge Archer A. Phelan, of Christiansburg, the defendants.

Meetings of Leesburg Banks.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEESBURG, Va., January 16.—The stockholders of the three national banks in Loudoun county—the People's, the Loudoun and Purcellville banks—have re-elected all their directors, with the exception of R. H. Harper and Ed. Nichols, former directors of the Loudoun National Bank, who have been re-elected by M. H. Whitmore and A. D. H. C. Gibson was elected director of the People's National Bank in place of B. M. Intcho, who has been re-elected cashier of that institution. Joseph Carr was elected assistant cashier of the Loudoun National Bank.

An Elaborate Program.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEESBURG, Va., January 16.—General Lee's birthday will be observed in Leesburg on January 19th, and an appropriate program has been arranged by the local chapters of the Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy. Rev. W. D. Keith, of Leesburg, Colonel Thomas S. Smith, of Warrenton, Va., and Rev. Charles Kilgour, son of the late J. Mortimer Kilgour, of Leesburg, Pa., will deliver addresses, the former to the veterans, Clinton and Crockett, and the latter to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The occasion will be made of special interest by the presentation of badges and crosses of honor to the veterans entitled thereto, followed by an elaborate banquet.

Forty-seven Conversions.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MARTINSVILLE, Va., January 16.—Rev. E. E. Dudley, evangelist of Norfolk, Va., closed a two-weeks' meeting at the Baptist Church here last night. Mr. Dudley has been preaching twice daily to large and attentive congregations, and great interest has been manifested. There were about forty-seven conversions.

Sleet at Lynchburg.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, Va., January 16.—Lynchburg has experienced a sleet storm all day, though no apprehension is felt for overhead wires, for there has been no rain since last night. Aside from a slight delay early this morning to the street cars, no damage has been done by the storm.

Bon Air Social News.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
EON AIR, Va., January 16.—On Saturday last Mrs. T. P. L. Cooke entertained informally in her home, Miss Minnie Woltz, whose marriage to Mr. William Cooke is scheduled to take place Wednesday, January 20th, at Emanuel Church, Henric county. Among those calling were Mesdames Withers, Ferguson, Miller, Hazen, Dadda, Bullington, Coxie, Atkinson and Wherry, and Misses Cooke, Moulton,

Club Lunch, 40c—Monday's Menu

Roast Turkey with Oyster Dressing.
Cranberry Sauce.
Potatoes on the half shell.
Baltimore Biscuits.
Deli-mar Ambrosia.
Coffee, Tea or Chocolate.

Miller & Rhoads

Initial Showing of New Wash Goods for Spring

New Suits in Spring Models Other Garment Specials

It's not a case of happening to get Winter Suits in spring models. We went to New York for that very thing and got it. Look at these new garments. They're in a class by themselves for style and value.

Mimes' Suits, in fancy worsteds, plain blue chevrons & black serges, coats lined with fancy taffeta, plain skirts; sizes 13 to 16; values \$15 to \$20. Price, \$11.69

Women's Suits, in fancy stripe & plain color worsteds, 36-inch plain tailored coats, lined with good satin. These suits are of winter weight, but in a spring model; brown, wine & navy; special \$18.25

45-inch Coat Suits for women in shadow stripes line Twilled worsteds, dark green, dark blue & black; coats satin lined, velvet military collar, cuffs to match; suits worth up to \$22.50, now \$13.75

Satin Waists, \$2.98
Value \$5.

New Waists, in black, light blue, navy, brown, catwaba & smoke; tailor made, plaited front, new collar; ordinarily the price would be five dollars; special now at \$2.98.

Taffeta \$3.95
Waists, \$3.

Black taffeta, in a good heavy quality; two styles, plaited front & tucked front. The style & finish of these waists is equal to those at much higher prices.

Black Broadcloth Coats, \$9.75
They Were \$12.50 to \$16.50

Just as spic & span as when they came in the house a few weeks ago.

We're cleaning house for spring, 52-inch Coats, semi & tight fitting, satin lined; plain tailored or trimmed with satin. They were splendid values at their former prices—you may imagine what they are at \$9.75.

White Spread Bargains

Worth Your Attention

Only sorry we haven't more of the extra specials, such as:

75x90-inch Crochet Quilts that were \$1.25, now \$1 each.

Fringed & Cut Corner Crochet Quilts, 74x87 inches, regular \$1.50 value, \$1.30.

Another special in Crochet Quilts at \$1.30 is \$1.35 inches (extra large); all good patterns, \$1.30.

11-4 Satin Quilts, good weight & good value, \$1.75.

Satin Quilts, 75x88 inches, \$2.50 value for \$2.25.

75x87-inch Satin Quilts, scalloped & embroidered, \$3.

11-4 Imported Satin Quilts, heavily embroidered figures, \$3.30.

80x88-inch Imported Satin Quilts (extra size), \$4.25.

A Brief Statement About Big Bargains in Blankets & Comforts

There's one store at least where your Blanket & Comfort needs can always be met at the bottom of the price ladder—it's at Miller & Rhoads.

60x82-inch Gray Wool Filled Blankets, \$2.50 pair.

60x82-inch White Wool Filled Blankets, \$3.25 pair.

72x84-inch White Wool Filled Blankets, \$3.08 pair.

72x84-inch White Wool Blankets, special, \$5.

70x82-inch All-Wool Plaid Blankets, \$5.

60x82-inch All-Wool Red Blankets, \$5.

12-4 White Twill Blankets, \$1.50.

60x72-inch Clean Cotton Filled Comforts, \$1 each.

72x78-inch Quilted or Tufted Comforts, light & dark, colorings, \$1.50 pair.

72x78-inch Comforts, covered with good quality silkline, wide borders, \$2.

72x78-inch Comforts, covered with good quality satin, wide solid color borders, \$2.50 each.

Great values in Long Cloth, extra fine, soft finish, made of the best combed cotton, yard wide, 98c, \$1.10, \$1.10 & \$1.20 per piece.

French Batiste, 40 inches wide, extra fine quality; hardly seems worth while to pay 25c yard for this batiste when you can get it here for 17c.

Chiffon Cloth is just what you need for lace underwear; stands washing without breaking, 36 inches wide, 25c yard.

English Nainsook, 40 inches wide, same quality that usually sells for \$2.25 per piece; our special price, \$1.90.

Mercerized Batiste, 44 inches wide; nothing better in quality at 40c yard; our price, 29c.

Linen Lawn, a yard wide that has sold for as much as 29c yard; special, 15c.

Linen Finish Suitings, 39 inches wide, dull, shrunken finish; nothing just as good at 10c yd.

Muslin Underwear News

Always bear this fact in mind regarding our Muslin Underwear—quality & finish is never sacrificed under any consideration.

The garments we mention to-day are representative of the best collection of Underwear in the South—and the prices are decidedly low.

Gowns, good nainsook, round-neck, trimmed with embroidery neck & sleeves, \$1.

Gowns, good nainsook, round neck, empire style, neck & sleeves trimmed with lace; splendid value, \$1.50.

Skirts, good quality cambric, deep lawn ruffles, clusters of fine tucks, edged with Swiss embroidery; special, \$1.75.

Drawers, good quality cambric, trimmed with embroidery & tucks; very good value, 75c.

Fine quality Nainsook Drawers, one row of embroidered Swiss & edge; special, \$1.50.

Beautiful Vases You Can Buy at a Big Reduction

About thirty Vases in the assortment, Japanese, Austrian & Royal Bonn pieces; all perfect, high-class goods. Just a cleaning-up sale after stock taking.

\$4 Vases now \$2.89

\$5 Vases now \$3.00

\$6 & \$7 Vases now \$3.98

A Wealth of New White Goods

Dainty, new patterns—plenty of them for all purposes for which you'll use white—and we'd again remind you that fashion says 1909 will be a "white season."

Quality, quantity & low prices make the Miller & Rhoads White Goods Store BEST.

Embroidered Swiss, extra fine quality, big assortment of figures & checks. 25c quality, 15c yard. 38c quality, 22c yard.

English Nainsook, 40 inches wide, same quality that usually sells for \$2.25 per piece; our special price, \$1.90.

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A Curtain & Portiere Stock Unequalled for Good Values

Whether you view this stock from the standpoints of quality of material, style, quantity or low prices, it stands out pre-eminently as the best in Richmond. Prove us if you need anything this week.

Muslin Curtains, 3 yards long, hemstitched ruffles, cluster tucks, 50c pair.

Dotted & figured Muslin Curtains, 3 yards long, \$1 pair.

Arabian green & red Novelty Net Curtains, several styles, \$1 pair.

3-4 yard Nottingham Curtains, all over and plain centers, \$1.50 pair.

3-4 yard Cable Net Curtains, white & Arabian flit, insertion effects, regular \$2.50 quality, \$2 pair.

Madras Curtains, all colors, 3 yards long, 75c, 80c, \$1 & \$1.50 pair.

Mercerized Portieres, 3 yards long, heavy fringe top & bottom, \$5 pair.

Heavy Mercerized Portieres, cord or Van Dyke edge, \$7.50 quality, \$6.75 pair.

Looking for Real Bargains in Rugs?

Run Your Eye Over This List & Then Come in To-Morrow

3x11 feet Tapestry Brussels Rugs, good line of colors & patterns, \$19 each.

3x12 feet Tapestry Brussels Rugs, regular \$15 quality, \$11.65.

3x12 feet Tapestry Brussels Rugs, Oriental & floral patterns, all colors, worth \$15, \$15 each.

3x12 feet Axminster Rugs, \$25 quality, \$20 each.

3x12 feet Wilton Rugs, good line of patterns & colors, \$42.50 quality, \$30 each.

30x60-inch Smyrna Rugs, all colors, good line of patterns, \$2.50 each.

3x12 feet Kazak Rugs, very heavy weight, all colors; an extremely stylish & durable fabric, \$13.50 each.

3x12 feet Frieze Rugs, regular \$12.50 quality, \$9.95.

3x12 feet Axminster Rugs, \$25 quality, \$20 each.

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A Bargain in Women's Shoes

Regular \$4 \$2.87
Values,

Patent Leather Shoes with a cloth top—genuine bargains in stylish footwear. They were made for a big Western store, but as the goods were not delivered in contract time they were thrown back on the factory's hands. We bought 'em at a sacrifice. Regular \$4.00 Shoes for \$2.87. Take advantage of the opportunity.

Clean Up Prices in Housefurnishings

Some of the odd lots we found at inventory taking:

Hot Cake Turners, 5c value, for 3c.

One dozen small Gas Stoves, for heating or cooking, 59c value, 35c.

Half-dozen Blue Flame Oil Stoves, were \$2.50, now \$1.

Oil Cans that stop flowing when your lamp is full, 3 & 5-gallon sizes, were \$1.25 & \$1.50, now 59c.

Two dozen Oval Laundry Baskets, whole willow, handle each end, were 75c, now 50c.

Glass Tumblers, plain & fancy, 2c each.

Art Department Specials for Monday

Among other things are a lot of Lithograph Pillow Tops, regular 50 values, for 29c. They're in very attractive patterns. We know you'll like them.

Embroidered linen finish Scarfs & Shams, in daisies, fleur de lis & Cluny patterns, 50c.

Ecor Linen Centrepieces, tinted patterns in a variety of styles, 36 inches diameter, \$1.25.

\$10.00 Automobile Robes, \$7.50

60x82-inch All-Wool Robes, that have been pronounced to be the best values in Richmond or anywhere else at \$7.50. Pass judgment on them! Scotch Plaid Steamer Robes, special, \$5.

The Fabrics Are Prettier Than Ever

Come in and look them over! It's impossible for us to do these fabrics justice in print. Attractive in every way. Thousands upon thousands of yards, hundreds of the most attractive patterns you ever saw. It's simply wonderful what brain and hand has done in the production of Wash Goods for 1909.

In order to encourage early buying we have marked these goods at exceptionally low prices.

Organdie Carreaux, 15c yard

Beautiful floral designs, in natural combinations, as well as solid colors, such as light blue, pink, old rose, Nile, reseed, tan, navy and black. This is a fine, sheer fabric well worth 25c per yard.

Crystalline Dotted Swiss, 19c yard

In dainty light color